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## NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

### Conservatives Will Uphold Senate as Safeguarding Interests of Smaller Provinces.

Newfoundland Applying to Canadian Fishermen Restrictions as to Bait Supplies.

Fuel Oil Advance in Price Makes Prospect of Removal of Duty.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 3.—An influential deputation of Canadian manufacturing firms which use fuel oil in their furnaces interviewed the government to-day to ask that fuel oil be placed on the free list. The deputation reported that since the Standard Oil Co. had throttled the oil industry in Canada the price of fuel oil had gone up from 80 cents a barrel to \$1.15. As one consequence of the change in price, the Massey-Harris Company, which employ 2,000 people in their works, will have to shut down if relief does not come soon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that it would not break his heart to remove the duty, but the government would have to look into this as a practical question and see what could be done. What he understood them to want was the removal of the duty by order-in-council, and not to wait until parliament met. The matter would at once receive the serious consideration of the government. The government received advice to-day that the Newfoundland authorities had decided to prohibit Canadian vessels from trading in bait. The report created considerable talk in ministerial circles, and enquiries were at once instituted to ascertain its accuracy. Should it prove correct, it would indicate a possible rupture of the friendly relations between the Dominion and Newfoundland. It is well known that in the event of the failure of the Washington negotiations, Newfoundland will ask permission to make an independent arrangement with the States. It is said, however, that new regulations will not prohibit Canadians from obtaining bait for bona fide fishery operations.

Harrison Watson, curator of the Canadian section of the Imperial Institute, informs the department of trade that German firms are anxious to procure large quantities of Canadian salmon said in barrels, to be dried in Germany. British Columbia might find a good market in Germany, but the prices would not compensate dealers in salmon on the Atlantic coast.

Sir Charles Tupper returned from Toronto to-day. Speaking of the movement against the senate, he said Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposal was a deliberate attempt to destroy the very basis of confederation and the rights guaranteed by it to the various provinces. "The measure will brand every man who supports it as an enemy to the constitution. We may as well understand now that the great Liberal-Conservative party of Canada is face to face with a daring attempt to break up confederation. We fought, and successfully fought, the battle of British institutions in 1891 against the party now in power, so we are compelled to take the field in defence of that solemn compact in which confederation was accomplished, and upon the maintenance of which its existence depends. The Conservative party will fight it to the bitter end."

## NANAIMO NEWS.

New Teller for Bank of B. C.—Miner Meets With Accident—Land Dispute Settled.

Nanaimo, March 3.—(Special)—John Rooney, a miner working in the Wellington mines, has had his foot badly crushed by coal falling on it.

A. F. Langton, teller in the Bank of British Columbia, has resigned, to be succeeded by Thomas Fletcher, of Victoria.

Dixon vs. Haslam, a land dispute, was heard to-day and Dixon allowed possession of the land enclosed by his old fence.

## THE ICE-BOUND GASPESIA

Newfoundland Sealing Fleet Will Endeavor to Offer Relief.

St. John's, Nfld., March 3.—The first of the sealing steamers started last night for the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to undertake the annual seal hunt. There will be five vessels in the Gulf, all of which are under instructions to endeavor to relieve the new Canada liner Gaspesia.

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## SMALLPOX TRAVELLING.

Demand That Province of Ontario Be Quarantined—Jim Hill's Porter a Victim.

Montreal, March 3.—The health authorities have written the provincial board of health, asking that quarantine be placed on the province of Ontario, on account of smallpox.

St. Paul, March 2.—J. H. Carter (colored) was sent to the pest-house, being discovered to have a clearly developed case of smallpox. To-day it was learned that Carter is a sleeping car porter, and had just come through from Spokane. He was employed on the special train on which President James J. Hill and other officials of the Great Northern were making a tour of inspection of the road. He was sick while with the Hill party, but continued with the work, and from Spokane he returned to this city. As soon as it was learned that Carter had smallpox, a telegram was sent to President Hill, and his private car was fumigated thoroughly and his entire party vaccinated.

## TRADE OF THE WEEK.

Canadian Reports Show General Improvement and Business in Good Condition.

## Victoria's Share in the Clearances—Advance in Wages General in the United States.

By Associated Press.

New York, March 3.—Dun's review of Canadian trade says: Canadian despatches show a general improvement and on the whole a very satisfactory condition of business. At St. John wholesale business is reasonably fair, though retail trade is affected by clearance sales, but collections are rather better. Orders for spring delivery at Halifax are well maintained, and wholesale trade is generally steady, with fair prospects, though retail trade is quiet. At Quebec trade is fairly good in all lines, with encouraging prospects. Montreal reports that the spring millinery openings have been well attended, and business generally of the healthy character heretofore noted, with money a shade easier. At Toronto the millinery openings were largely attended, with satisfactory sales and a good demand for dry goods, groceries and hardware, and payments are fairly good. A slight movement is noticed at Victoria in the outfitting trade, though business generally is only fair. General trade at Vancouver continues slack, but clearings show a slight improvement over previous weeks, and collections are up to the average.

New York, March 3.—The bank clearances for the Dominion of Canada for the past week were as follows:

Montreal, Inc.	46 per cent.	\$29,372,773
Toronto, Inc.	25.8 per cent.	11,287,281
Winnipeg, Inc.	3.7 per cent.	1,508,418
Halifax, Inc.	8.3 per cent.	1,093,584
Victoria		833,280
Hamilton, Inc.	12.5 per cent.	621,250
St. John, Inc.	14.5 per cent.	487,184

New York, March 3.—Bradstreet's of to-morrow will say: An enlarged volume of spring trade, particularly in dry goods, due to spring weather, special strength in the demand and price for cotton fabrics, an immense and urgent call at clearing prices for iron and steel and all their products, and substantial advances in wages, chiefly affecting the above mentioned industries and benefiting at conservative calculation 10,000 operatives, are among the features of the week, going to show that the producing elements of the country are sharing in the present favorable conditions. From many cities East and West come reports of an active demand from jobbers for spring dry goods. From the cotton manufacturing industry of the East come reports of activity, inducing manufacturers to grant advances to their operatives. An encouraging feature is the small number of strikes for higher wages reported, partly owing to advances being already conceded as a result of important labor troubles being reported in the coal mining industry in the Southwest. Additional proof that the export demand for our steel manufactures will be checked by the recent and pending price advances is not lacking. In the lumber (Continued on Page 2.)

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## ITALY EXCITES PEKIN

Demand for Lease Territory Believed to Be First Move in Policy of Partition.

British Credited With Inclining the Italians in Resentment of Recent Concessions.

## Other Nations Interested Said to Be Friendly to the New Application.

By Associated Press.

Pekin, March 3.—The demand of the Italian government upon the government of China for a lease of San Mun bay as a colonization and naval base on the same conditions as those under which Germany holds Kiaochow bay, including a demand upon the part of Italy for the concession of three islands off the coast of Chekiang, with the right to construct a railroad from San Mun bay to Poyang lake, and preferential mining and railroad rights within a sphere of influence covering the southern two-thirds of Chekiang province has caused great excitement here not only among the Chinese but also among the diplomats.

The Chinese are firmly convinced that Great Britain is chiefly responsible for the demand and that it was made in order to emphasize British displeasure at the turn which the northern railroad question has taken. They declare in proof of this assertion that Great Britain has determined upon a sphere of action and the abandonment of the "open door" policy.

The diplomats openly say that the new development is the beginning of a policy of partition upon the part of the powers. The representative of a great power during a conversation is said to have suggested that the moment had now arrived for international control of China, and it is added that if the policy of the spheres of influence should be really inaugurated the United States will be expected to have a say in the matter, and further said that there were indications that America would be likely to prefer the province of Chili.

Rome, March 3.—In the chamber of deputies to-day Admiral De Canevaro, minister of foreign affairs, replying to a question on the subject, confirmed the report that the government is taking steps at Peking to secure a lease of San Mun bay, province of Chekiang, China, and has given notice of its intention to the other nations interested in China, all of whom, the minister said, were friendly to the government's project.

London, March 3.—The London Daily Graphic announces that the British minister to China, Sir Claude Macdonald, acting upon Lord Salisbury's instructions, has notified the Tsungli Yamen that Great Britain will hold China to the terms of the contract in the recent railroad loan, and will also support her in resisting any aggression intended to force her to repudiate her obligations under that contract. As the result of this British action, according to the Daily Graphic, Anglo-Russian negotiations have been resumed, with the prospect of an amicable arrangement.

## THE LABRADOR'S WRECK.

Steaming Full Speed When She Went Upon the Rock—Passengers Well Looked After.

Glasgow, March 3.—The Glasgow Citizen says that the Labrador had a summer-like passage most of the way over and made good running, but as she neared this side the captain and officers were unable to take sights for three days, owing to the fog. Consequently the only guide to the position of the ship was that given by dead reckoning, which, by reason of the currents, was untrustworthy. The captain had been on deck since 2 p. m. Tuesday, when the ship struck. The second officer was on the sick list, and the third officer had taken the watch with the captain.

The passengers, who were in their berths, were awakened by a crash and rushed on deck. The Labrador had run well upon a rock and was tilting heavily. The ship was rocking with the heavy swell, which made the launching of the boats difficult. The cooler heads of the passengers calmed the women, and the crew did their duty with the most praiseworthy discipline. When the first boat was lowered it with ropes. While the other boats were being filled the Viking moved in sight and took on board all of the passengers and crew, except those in one boat, which made its way to the Skerryvore lighthouse. This boat contained 12 passengers, who remained prisoners at the lighthouse, as the wind freshened and they were unable to return to the ship. The ship had been going slowly, but just before the accident the captain signalled the engines to go ahead at full speed, believing that the course was clear.



## Dominion Despatches

**Archdeacon Brigstock Dead After Short Illness—A Guelph Man Found Drowned.**

**Catholic Interests in West Discussed at Calgary—Ontario Conservative Organizer**

Special to the Colonist.

**ARCHDEACON'S DEATH.**  
St. John, March 3.—Citizens were greatly shocked to-day by the announcement of the death of Archdeacon Brigstock. He was born in Wales in 1841. He had been ill two weeks, but his condition was not thought to be serious.

**MORAVIA'S COMPANY.**  
Halifax, March 3.—The steamer Aberdeen returned to-day from Sable Island with the entire crew of the wrecked steamer Moravia, except the second officer, who died from exposure in the boat while landing.

**C. P. R. TRAFFIC.**  
Montreal, March 3.—C. P. R. traffic for the week ending February 28 was \$449,000, for the same week last year, \$377,000.

**BOY SOLDIERS' TRIP.**  
Montreal, March 3.—The Highland cadets of this city have accepted an invitation to go to New York for a week this summer; 150 of them will go down, accompanied by the brass and fife bands.

**CONSERVATIVE ORGANIZER.**  
Toronto, March 3.—The Ontario Conservatives have decided to appoint an organizer, and it is likely A. W. V. Wright will receive the position. Robert Birmingham will remain as secretary of the society in the province.

**TORONTO PICKING UP.**  
Toronto, March 3.—The month of February was a record breaker in exports from this city, which totalled almost \$1,000,000, and are said to be the heaviest in the history of the custom house. They came within \$20,000 of doubling the figures for February last year.

**LOAN COMPANIES DEAL.**  
Toronto, March 3.—Messrs. Gooderham and Blackstock sail next week by the steamer Majestic from New York for England, there to look after certain financial matters in connection with the amalgamation of the four big Toronto loan companies, announced some time since. Ex-Governor Mackintosh, of the British American corporation, will sail on the same steamer.

**FOUND DROWNED.**  
Sarnia, Ont., March 3.—The body of Frank Gauthier was found off the shore of the river here. He was about 55 years old and a resident of Guelph, but had been in Chicago for some years until he came here six months ago. He was a prominent business man for many years in various cities of the province.

**CATHOLIC CONFERENCE.**  
Calgary, March 3.—An interesting church conference is in progress here, with the Catholic archbishop of St. Boniface, Bishop Grandin, Pascal, Legat, of St. Albert and Prince Albert, and Donnellyville, of British Columbia, in attendance. The meeting is principally intended for better organization on the school question and an understanding with the government.

**INCENDIARISM.**  
Winnipeg, March 3.—Some unknown miscreant to-night made a most deliberate attempt to burn down the Bank of Commerce block, better known as the Bannatyne block. The fire was discovered from the street before it had gained any headway, and extinguished just as the fire brigade arrived on the spot. Arrests will probably be made.

**TRIBUTE TO HERSHELL.**  
United States Government Offers Warship to Transport the Commissioner's Remains.

Washington, March 3.—To show the depth of the sympathy felt by the United States government with the British government and the family, in the loss of the late Lord Hershell, the American government have proffered the use of a United States warship to convey the remains of Lord Hershell to England. The particular vessel has not yet been selected, but it will be one of the ships now at Havana attached to the North American squadron, if the British embassy cares to accept the offer.

**GIGANTIC SMELTER COMBINE.**  
All the Concerns of the United States Reported to Have Pooled Their Interests.

Pittsburg, March 2.—The Post to-morrow will carry one of the most gigantic combinations yet attempted by commercial organizations in the United States was completed to-day over the wires between New York and Pittsburg. It is a consolidation of all the smelters and refiners of precious metals in the United States. The final move of the combine was the purchase of the Pennsylvania Smelting Company of Pittsburg, and the Pennsylvania Smelting Company's works at Salt Lake, Utah. The price paid is not known. The capitalization of the new combine will be \$46,000,000. Officers will be elected on April 1. It is understood that ex-Gov. J. B. Grant, of Colorado, will be president, and Bartley Crum, of Chicago, is mentioned for vice-president. The deal just closed has been under negotiation for several months. The names of the firms in the combine follow:

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Aurora Smelting and Refining Company, with works at Aurora, Ill.  
Onondaga Smelting and Refining Company, with works at Pueblo, Col.  
Globe Smelting and Refining Company, with works at Denver, Col.  
Germania Smelting and Refining Company, with works at Salt Lake City.  
Bi-Metallurgical Company, with works at Leadville, Col.  
Pennsylvania Smelting Company, of Salt Lake City.  
Pennsylvania Lead Company, of Pittsburg.

**KIPLING CONVALESCING.**

New York, March 3.—To-night Dr. Danham, who is still in constant attendance on "Mr. Kipling still improves. He is out of danger. If all goes well he ought to be able to take outside air for brief periods in about two or three weeks."

## NEW PREMIER FOR SPAIN.

Sagasta Could Not Carry on, and Silvela Is Forming a Ministry.

Madrid, March 3.—The Queen Regent, as the result of her consultations with the statesmen, generals and political leaders, informed Senor Sagasta that she desired to retain the present cabinet, and she then invited him to reconstruct the cabinet. Senor Sagasta replied that it would be impossible for him to remain premier without a dissolution. Thereupon the Queen Regent referred the same request to Senor Montero Rios, president of the senate, who declined for the same reason. Finally Senor Silvela, the Conservative leader, accepted the task, and it is expected he will submit a Conservative ministry to Her Majesty for approval. Newspapers predict that popular demonstrations will greet a Conservative ministry.

Senor Silvela has offered the finance portfolio to Marquis Villa Verde, the minister of marine to Admiral Lazaga, the ministry of justice to Senor Duran, and the ministry of public works, agriculture and commerce to Senor Cardenas.

The cortes will be dissolved, the new elections taking place toward the end of April and a new chamber of deputies meeting in May.

Count Derascon, Spanish ambassador to Great Britain, and Senor Leon y Castillo, ambassador to France, have tendered their resignations. The prefects and secretary of state have also resigned.

**PRINCE HENRY IN COMMAND.**

Queen's Grandson Admiral of German Fleet in Chinese Waters.

Berlin, March 3.—Emperor William has designated Prince Henry of Prussia to succeed Vice-Admiral Von Diederichs in command of the German squadron in Chinese waters. The Neuste Nachrichten remarking upon the importance of the appointment says: "Prince Henry, being the brother-in-law of the Czar and a grandson of Queen Victoria, the appointment will tend to the adjustment of the Anglo-American press intrigues against Admiral Von Diederichs will cease in the presence of a prince enjoying such great popularity especially in the British navy."

**POPE'S PHYSICIANS AT EASE.**

Satisfied That Their Venerable Patient Is on the Road to Recovery.

Rome, March 3.—In the absence of fever, the Pope's oft-repeated wish to have the curtain drawn was granted this morning. He greeted the blue sky with the ejaculation: "Thanks be to Almighty, who has again preserved me to work for the greatness of His church." The physicians say they are quite satisfied with the Pope's condition.

**SPANIARDS SORRY LOT.**

Officers Suffering in Home Prison for Humiliations Experienced in the War.

Madrid, March 3.—Admiral Montejó, who was in command of the Spanish squadron destroyed by Admiral Dewey in the battle of Manila, and the commander of the Cavite arsenal were this evening incarcerated in the military prison pending trial for their conduct at Manila. The government has also ordered the prosecution of Gen. Linares, who was in supreme command of the Spanish forces at Santiago at the time of the capitulation to General Shafter.

**COAL SHEDS AT OMAN.**

French to Be Permitted to Place Them on Promise of Good Behavior.

London, March 3.—It is officially announced that as the treaty of 1862 gives France equal rights with Great Britain in Oman, the capital of which sultanate of Arabia is Muscat, Great Britain has withdrawn her objections to the French placing coal sheds on the shore similar to those of Great Britain, provided the French do not attempt to obtain territorial rights in Oman. This is understood to be part of a general scheme for the settlement of the various differences between France and Great Britain.

**HAWAIIAN BOUND SHIPPING.**

British Government Making Due Protest Against Reservation for Americans.

London, March 3.—In the House of Commons to-day the parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, Mr. Broderick, replying to a question relative to British trade in Hawaii, said the British ambassador at Washington, Sir Julian Pauncefote, had made representations to the government of the United States calling attention to the effect upon British trade of the application of the United States new navigation laws to Hawaii and their newly acquired possessions of the United States.

**BEDLAM AT WASHINGTON.**

Despite Struggles to Complete the Necessary Work of Congress.

Washington, March 3.—Exciting confusion, heavy strain and hard work have characterized this the last legislative day of the 55th congress. In the senate the confusion was so great, in this usually staid and decorous body, as to render the transaction of business almost impossible. Business that ordinarily would have the undivided attention of every senator on the floor was transacted amid so much noise that it was next to impossible to follow the proceedings. Toward midnight order was being evolved from the seeming chaos of the early part of the day and evening and the prospect was fair that congress would adjourn at noon to-morrow with its absolutely necessary work completed. Crowded galleries looked down upon the struggling members of the house to-day. Step by step the leaders in charge of appropriation bills pushed through the first stages and during every hour the consideration for belated local bills in the vain hope of rescuing them from death on the calendar. At times the house was like bedlam. Pounded as the speaker would with his gavel, it was almost impossible to preserve order and to the casual visitor in the gallery the proceedings on the floor must have been about as intelligible as an exciting day in the wheat pit would be to a parish priest.

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## VANCOUVERS' BUDGET.

**Attorney-General Martin Confirms Report of Ministers Deserving Their Departments.**

**Indians Now Claiming Deadman's Island—Other Rich Placers Reported From North.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, March 3.—Henderson Bros. break sod for a handsome new block on Hastings street, next the Province building, to-morrow. The Ames Holden Co. also are to build on Hastings street.

J. Tilden, of Gurney & Tilden, the big Hamilton stove firm, is en route to the Coast to start a branch house with warehouses in Victoria or Vancouver.

There is yet no official advice regarding the proposed suspension of the salmon regulations.

Attorney-General Martin stated today that although his staff would not be removed to Vancouver, his personal plans were to stay in Vancouver most of the time, and to that end a small office had been fitted up for himself and Finance Minister Cotton in the court house.

The report is received that Great Northern railway company is about to build into Vancouver from New Westminster. To-day Vice-President Miller, W. P. Whitney, general passenger agent, and A. G. Clabon, western traffic manager of the G. N. R., were in Vancouver. They left for Victoria by the steamer Chalmers.

Another feature of the Deadman's Island affair developed to-day, when the Coquitlam arrived from the North with the news that 200 Cape Mudge Indians are coming to Vancouver to protest against the leasing of the island, claiming that it is an Indian reserve, set aside for the Cape Mudge tribe by Her Majesty's Victoria.

Prof. Terwayne, the French scientist, is here. He said to-day that for the same reason that Andree could not be found by a balloon party, the north pole would never be located. This is that it is impossible to take proper observations in the North with scientific instruments. While in this latitude the sun appears like a round ball, one can take angles from its centre or sides; in the North when one does see the sun, it is a smoky haze, and it is but seldom seen. Refraction makes it impossible to take observations from the stars.

J. H. Russell has written a very cheerful letter from Atlin, dated February 17. He says men are now working on Spruce Lake, and are taking out an ounce a day to each man from the frozen gravel. Provisions are scarce and are higher in price than at Dawson.

The steamer Coquitlam brings a story that miners have discovered rich placer diggings on a creek near Fanny Bay, in Northern British Columbia. A miner named Lambert washed out two pans of gold from the creek to pass the time away. The second pan showed 20 coarse loose colors, and he at once staked the discovery claim. When the Coquitlam left the whole creek was staked out.

Mr. Norwood, government inspector of mines for the Klondike, is in the city, en route north.

There were 22 interments in the city cemetery during the month of February. Local patriotism sometimes leads Vancouver citizens not very well informed to state that Vancouver is bigger than Victoria and does more business. That this is not the case can be seen by the weekly bank clearings and the customs house returns. In February the duties collected amounted in Vancouver to \$46,083.40, and in Victoria \$32,224.41.

Fishing on the Fraser is fairly good—one-half steel heads and one-half salmon. The fish bring 75 cents each.

The intermediate lacrosse club of Vancouver met last night. H. H. Allingham was re-elected honorary president. C. W. Murray president and W. C. Brown secretary. Plans were mapped out for the season and committees appointed.

The presbytery of New Westminster met yesterday and after routine business nominated Rev. G. M. Milligan of Toronto as moderator at the forthcoming assembly.

The death of Wm. Cormick, ship builder, took place on Wednesday night in Westminster.

**THE ALLANS' GREATEST.**

Description of the Castilian. Now at Halifax on Her First Trip.

Halifax, March 3.—The monster new Allan liner Castilian, Capt. Barrett, arrived in port this afternoon on her maiden voyage from Liverpool, making the passage in the quick time of eight days. She has 11 cabin, 47 intermediate and 104 steerage passengers.

The Castilian is the largest vessel the company have yet built. She is 470 feet long, 53 feet 9 inches beam, and 30 feet deep, with a gross tonnage of 8,000 and a displacement of 14,550 tons. Her great beam gives a huge cargo capacity and at the same time enables the passenger saloons and staterooms to be more than usually spacious, while providing against undue rolling in a beam sea. The Castilian is schooner rigged with one funnel fourteen feet in diameter. While the foremast is of steel, the after one is of wood, and half way up is placed a compass, which, being thus fixed away from the hull and steel deck erections, may be relied upon as absolutely infallible—and therefore invaluable during thick weather. Her builders, Messrs. Workman & Clark, of Belfast, have adopted all the latest improvements in marine architecture. Thus there is a cellular double bottom extending the whole length of the ship. There are no water-tight bulkheads. The ship has a cold storage accommodation, a special refrigerating chamber being set apart for stores to be used by passengers on the voyage. As a passenger vessel the Castilian embraces all those improvements which Messrs. Allan's long experience for the North Atlantic passenger trade has suggested.

On her trial trip the Castilian developed a speed of over 16 knots, her performance being regarded as highly satisfactory both by owners and builders. Though at present she is the largest vessel in the Allan fleet, she will soon lose that distinction, as two larger passenger vessels of the very highest class are now approaching completion on the Clyde. These vessels are the Tunisian and Bavarian, each of which will be over 10,000 tons gross, and will make a new epoch in the history of steam communication between this country and Canada. The Castilian is in command of Captain Barrett, late of the Parisian. He is the commodore captain of the Allan fleet and long and honorably has been before the public as a skilful and careful navigator.

Chinese streets are not more than 8 feet wide.

## STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE.

London Share Markets Stagnant—Moderate Dealings in New York With Firm Tone.

New York, March 3.—The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London says: "The markets were again stagnant to-day and universally dull. Paris sold Africans, London and Americans. They opened flat, professionals freely unloading below prices for the first time since the depression began. But New York came as a small buyer and hoisted the market later by fair purchases of Ontario & Western, St. Paul, Atchafson and Central Pacific. London took no hand."

New York, March 3.—Stock dealings were in moderate volume to-day and resulted in sharp net gains generally, with a firm tone prevailing at the close. The realizing which appeared yesterday continued but a short time this morning, and the market quieted down with an appearance in many stocks of a hardening tendency. Traders were inclined to cover to some extent of the appearance of some so-called buying which encouraged endeavors for the long account. Burlington, Atchafson, Sugar and the Steel stocks, with the cessation of long stock coming out, became decidedly firmer. Brooklyn Transit was strong because of the announcement that the stock issue to acquire another company had been abandoned as a speculation.

**CLOSING QUOTATIONS.**

	Mar 2	Mar 3
Amn. Cot. Oil.....	34 5/8	35
Amn. Tob.....	150 1/2	150 1/2
Amn. Spirits.....	137 1/2	137 1/2
Amn. Spirits.....	137 1/2	137 1/2
Atchafson.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
Bay State Gas.....	4 1/2	4 1/2
Can. Pac.....	57 1/2	57 1/2
Can. Southern.....	57 1/2	57 1/2
Ches. & Ohio.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
B. & O.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
Chie. & N. W.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
C. & N. W.....	14 1/2	14 1/2
C. R. I. & P.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
C. M. & St. P.....	12 1/2	12 1/2
Consol. of Can. S. L.....	21 1/2	21 1/2
C. C. & St. L.....	57 1/2	57 1/2
Del. & Hudson.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Del. L. & W.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
Gen. & N. Y.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Jersey Central.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
Louisville & Nashville.....	6 1/2	6 1/2
Man. Elev.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Mo. Pac.....	44 1/2	44 1/2
Nat. Lead.....	3 1/2	3 1/2
Nor. Ann. Co.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
N. Y. C. & H.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
Pa. Coal & Oil.....	12 1/2	12 1/2
Northern Pac. com.....	52 1/2	52 1/2
Omaha.....	92 1/2	92 1/2
Pa. Mail.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
Pa. R. R. p. aid.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
Southern Ry.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
Tenn. C. & I.....	44 1/2	44 1/2
Texas & Pacific.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
U. S. Rubber.....	49 1/2	49 1/2
T. P. Receipts.....	46 1/2	46 1/2
Wabash.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
W. Va. Coal.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Western Union.....	93 1/2	93 1/2
Met. St. Ry.....	23 1/2	23 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....	89 1/2	89 1/2
C. P. R. in London.....	92 1/2	92 1/2
Can. Cable in Montreal.....	105 1/2	105 1/2

New York, March 3.—Money on call, firm at 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 per cent.; last loan, 3 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 to 4 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange, weak at \$4.85 1/2 to \$4.90 for demand, and at \$4.82 1/2 to \$4.85 for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.84 1/2 to \$4.85 and \$4.86 1/2 to \$4.87. Commercial bills, \$4.83.

New York, March 3.—Silver certificates, 79 1/2c to 79 3/4c; bar silver, 59 1/2c; Mexican dollars, 47 1/2c. Copper, brokers, 18c; exchange, 17 1/2c. Lead, brokers, \$1.10; exchange, \$1.22 1/2 to \$1.25.

New York, March 3.—Wheat, closed: March, 82 1/2c; May, 77 1/2c; July, 75 1/2c. Chicago, March 3.—at closed: May, 73c; July, 71 1/2c. Corn, closed: May, 37 1/2c to 38c; July, 36 1/2c to 37c. Oats—May, 28 1/2c; July, 26 1/2c.

**LOCAL STOCK MARKET.**

Operations As Reported by Cuthbert & Co.

**FRIDAY, March 3.**

Considerable activity was manifest to-day compared with yesterday in all New York stocks. The railways, while not gaining much on yesterday's prices, still made an advance of one or two points and closed comparatively strong. The sensational feature of the market, however, was the advance in tobacco. From being remarkably steady and firm around 190 for two hours after the opening, it took a sharp advance at the close of 6 1/2 points. This is an advance in two days of nearly 9 points, and when it is considered that it has previously, that is, within two weeks, advanced 50 points, parties may well ask "What is going to come of this?" The cause is undoubtedly the absorption of the Union Tobacco Company by the company, but even this seems scarcely sufficient to warrant the price now reached. It is by long odds a record breaker, and some time the bears and shorts will have a great inning on this stock, but when is very problematical.

The mining market was decidedly flat and scarcely anything of note transpired during the day. Iron, Colt, Evening Star, Athabasca, Rambler-Cariboo, Fontenoy and others were quoted about and some sales made, but the transactions were extremely light compared with a few weeks ago. Crow's Nest suffered considerably. The price of the stock was also flat and dull, only 500 shares altogether being reported sold on the Toronto exchange. The quotations were practically unchanged, as follows:

Mine.	Bid.	Asked.
Athabasca.....	\$ 49	\$ 55
Cariboo of Camp McKinnon.....	1 1/2	1 3/4
Crow's Nest Gold.....	44 00	50 00
Canadian Gold Fields.....	05	07
Commander.....	15 1/2	16 1/2
Dundee.....	08	10
Evening Star.....	12	20
Fontenoy.....	03 1/2	06
Giant.....	03 1/2	04
Gopher.....	03 1/2	04
Grand Prize.....	03 1/2	04
Homestake.....	20	22 1/2
Iron Horse.....	17	18
Iron Mask.....	75	84
Knap.....	105	110
Knap Hill.....	1 05	1 10
Old Ironclad.....	14	17
Monte Christo.....	31	34
Noble Fire.....	41	47
Rambler-Cariboo.....	03 1/2	06
Silver Bell Gold.....	03 1/2	06
St. Elmo.....	03 1/2	06
Van Ande.....	03 1/2	06
Victoria.....	03 1/2	06
Victory-Triumph.....	3 45	3 50
War Eagle.....	03 1/2	05
White Bear.....	13	14 1/2
Waterloo.....	13	14 1/2

**REPUBLIC MINING SHARES.**

Mine.	Bid.	Asked.
Ben Hur.....	\$ 23	\$ 25
Blackhall.....	13	15
Butte and Bastion.....	10 1/2	10
Mountain Glory.....	37 1/2	39
Lone Pine.....	18	20
Roberts.....	45	40
Jim Blaine.....	45	40
North San Roll.....	20	20
Tom Thumb.....	20	20

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## TRADE OF THE WEEK.

(Continued from Page 1.)

trade the producer seems likely also to reap a long delay in reward as buyers are not so familiar with the fact that available supplies, whether of hardwood, of white o, yellow pine, or spruce and hemlock, a well controlled, while the outlook for building trade activity is favorable. Our export trade in cereals is recovering from the check administered by recent rigid and stormy weather, but reports of damage to the winter wheat crop, on the one hand, and hints of superabundant supplies of old crops in farmers' hands, have about balanced each other, with a slight advantage as regards prices procured. Corn is slightly higher, while oats are fractionally lower. The movement of cotton at the South has proved smaller than anticipated and as the current consumption is heavy, both at home and abroad, quotations are slightly higher. Talk of new combination in many lines of trade continues active but signs are not wanting that promoters find it harder to place shares of companies not widely known.

**FILIPINOS LOSING HEART.**

Complaint That Their Officers Skulk—Great Seizure of Arms.

New York, March 3.—A despatch to the Herald from Manila says: It is rumored here that a steamer with 20,000 stands of arms and ammunition which was bound for the Philippines has been seized in Japanese waters by the Japanese authorities.

Agustino's army is disheartened at the result of recent action. Many companies of insurgents have retired because their officers skulk and won't lead their men.

The latest news from Zulu is good. The natives are returning to the town. The coolies are now willing to work at reasonable wages. Under the native government they asked double pay. Vessels are now loading, and business has been resumed.

The influential natives of the islands of Masbate and Ticao have requested General Otis to send troops there. They say that 200 men could easily subdue the rebels. The inhabitants are peaceable, but they are disgusted with the extortion of three successive native governments. The two islands contain 80,000 head of cattle, which constitute the supply of the rebel army of the south.

The United States gunboat Concord has arrived here, after a week's cruise along the west coast of the island of Luzon. The only incident of her trip was the burning of a schooner loaded with supplies for the rebels at Dagupan, the terminus of the railroad. The natives fled and abandoned the town when the gunboat anchored in the bay.

Gibraltar, March 3.—The United States transport Sheridan, which sailed from New York on February 13, having on board the 24th regiment of infantry, and a battalion of the Seventh regiment, has arrived here. Owing to sickness on the vessel she has been quarantined.

Washington, March 3.—The President has sent to the senate the nominations of Rear-Admiral George Dewey to be admiral of the navy, and Brigadier-General Elwell W. Otis, United States army, to be major-general by brevet, to rank from February



## A WELL-PRESERVED CHINAMAN

When Vandam of the Swatow Customs confided to Millins and myself, in strict confidence, that he had given notice to his landlord in consequence of the house next door being tenanted by a Chinaman long deceased, we were surprised at his weakness.

"Preserved ancestor is inseparable from the Celestial idea of a well organized household," I argued. "Why, my landlord keeps his mother's great aunt under his bed, and his wife's uncle in a gilt lacquer box in his sitting room—and am I nervous?"

But Vandam was newly married and his objection to the singularly quiet and reserved occupant of the house next door was prompted by regard for his wife. He was demoralized on the subject.

We called on Mrs. Vandam next day at noon. Vandam's dwelling—an old European long, with a verandah running right round it—stood in a quiet by-street near the Custom-house. It was divided into two houses by a longitudinal partition—Vandam's front door and verandah being at the rear, to be strictly Irish. The front side was the undisputed property of the corpse already referred to. A strip of red paper glued across the partition, bore at each end the seal of the chief magistrate of the town. Before the door, a corporal and three privates of the Swatow native militia, squatted in the dust, playing an interminable game with cards and dice. They were, in fact, keeping guard over the dwelling, for a capital Chinese reason.

To wit. The occupant of the sealed up house had been, in life, an estimable native merchant, named Yang, resident with his wife, daughter and servant on the premises described.

"One day," said Vandam, "about a year ago, he was found dead—had been stabbed to the heart with some sharp instrument by some person unknown, who had escaped with a bag of dollars and an English gold watch usually worn by the murdered man. As the servant—a Cantonese—was missing, the crime was naturally laid at his door. It lies there now—for he has never been caught—and if he is a wise man, whether innocent or the reverse, he won't be."

"But justice—Chinese justice—would not be defeated by the mere escape of an arduous criminal," rejoined I. "The law demands that when a crime has been committed, somebody has got to suffer for it."

"Somebody did," admitted Vandam. "In fact the entire family of the suspected man were sequestered, and their property confiscated by the authorities."

"Those who considered the measure excessive," I hinted, "being present in the future by the simple removal of their heads."

"Correct," said Vandam. "But a more brilliant display of pyrotechnic legislation followed. The Court of Mandarins imprisoned the widow and daughter of the murdered man, grabbed his property to defray expenses; sealed up the front door, as you see, and clapped a murderer guard over it, to wait until the murderer happens to pass that way."

"It being a recognized fact—in China," I said, "that a spitter of human life invariably returns to the scene of the deed—sooner or later."

"And there you have it in a nutshell," said Vandam, "the secret of my wife's objection to the house."

"She believes that Johnny will come marching home, sooner or later!" I was beginning. "Has she heard or seen anything to that effect?"

"Suppose," said Mrs. Vandam, who had come in noiselessly as we were speaking, "suppose you lay awake in bed at night listening to a soft padding footstep stealing up and down, and, on the other side of the wall," she pointed to the bamboo and plaster partition that divided Vandam's house from the sealed up dwelling on its right hand side, "in a room you know to be empty of everything but cobwebs and dust. Suppose you hear the scraping of a hand feeling its way along in the dark—with only a quarter of an inch of wood and lime between it and your face?"

"Hattie, Hattie," began Vandam. "I understand," I said quickly, seeing the woman was on the verge of hysterics. "You're of opinion that there's something uncanny in those sealed-up rooms on the other side of you wall, and it makes you nervous."

"Suppose," said Mrs. Vandam, as soon as she saw the seal of the chief magistrate, "suppose you get over the verandah and look round? I don't suppose we shall meet any spooks, and it may set Mrs. Vandam's mind at rest."

"I'm agreeable," said Vandam; Millins, who was of a retiring nature, did not volunteer to accompany us.

As soon as it grew dark enough we divested ourselves of our hats and started, each, a dark lantern, and the six shooters we habitually carried for use formed our armament. We sealed the wall of the covered verandah, opened the tightly-fastened shutters at the north side of the house by an artistic application of the chisel, and entered the dwelling of the murdered Yang.

The light of the lantern revealed a square room. Diet, cobwebs, burnt ends of foodstuffs, mouldy fragments of the sweet cakes offered to the dead, and scraps of red paper littered the floor. A small room opened to the right. This was empty save for a rattan packing-case or bale, that stood empty in one corner. The descent of a rickety staircase, brought us to the front door. The matted flooring and mouldy plaster walls of the passage lent to the narrow space the atmosphere of a tomb. Through a granted window on the right of the sealed-up door came to us the sound of the soldiers' voices, as they threw the dice and dealt the cards and calmly wrangled over their interminable game now carried on by the light of an oil-paper lantern.

"There's a door here," said Vandam in a cautious whisper. He gently tried it—it was on his left hand—and it opened easily. The light I saw was larger than one would have expected, lime-washed and lighted by lattice-windows, near the ceiling. It was like the others, bare of furniture, but a large dark unyielding object occupied the middle of the floor, and the sharp smell of quicklime mingled with the scent of stale incense, and the unmistakable odour of decay.

Then, and not until then, did the full beauty of the Mandarin's plan flash upon me. The intelligent Chinese had sealed up the coffin of the murdered Yang in his ground floor chamber, as a bait to lure back the gentleman who had deprived him of his existence, his purse and his watch! Half tickled and wholly sickened, I glanced towards Vandam. He nodded in response. We turned to quit the chamber, and in that instant, from the exclamation of a soldier in the direction of the door, and in my mind, to my uttermost disgust, I stumbled against the coffin. Then, determined not

to renew this experiment, I began to fumble, with outspread hand, along the surface of the wall, guiding myself by the sense of touch, moving with long, cautious footsteps, searching for the door.

"Is that you," I heard Vandam whisper. Something in his tone reminded me of the quavering woman's voice that had spoken to me a little while before of soft, padding footsteps stealing up and down, and the scraping of a hand feeling its way along in the dark—the man was frightened!

"Is that you?" I heard him whisper again, as I stood still in an angle of the wall, yielding, for the instant, to the temptation of holding my tongue and searing him thoroughly. Then I heard him softly stepping along by the waistcoat, breathing quickly, and guiding himself as I had done, by passing his outspread hand over the plaster. And then, suddenly dashed on me the absolute conviction that, besides the dead man in his coffin in the centre of the floor, there was another presence in that room, other than Vandam's!

I stopped dead, and, crouching in an angle of the wall, heard two persons padding, with soft long, cat-like steps, over the cemented floor. The scraping, rustling sound of two persons' hands came distinct and separately to my ear. I held my breath, and, listening, heard, as a cold sweat of terror broke out upon me, the harsh, labored breathing of two persons in that loathsome place. Vandam was one. Who—what was the other?

The thought of touching the crawling panting, skulking thing by chance in the darkness was unendurable. I longed to know whether Vandam was possessed by the same conviction and the same dread, but I did not speak to him. I feared, lest the unknown creature that sped before me feeling round the interminable walls of that sepulchral room for the door that had vanished, I feared, lest the sound of my voice might guide it to me where I crouched, peering with blind and staring eyes into the black velvet darkness. The same dread probably caused the silence of Vandam.

A moment more I remained without moving, holding my breath and listening. Then, and the conviction—it broke upon me that the padding feet and the scraping hand of one of my companions were approaching me, slowly, but surely—in another instant I might be touched, embraced, held fast by something unspeakably foul and grim.

Something cringed my scalp and twitched in my cheek at the bare idea, while something else seemed to slide down my back like a long cold tool of steel, inserted between my garments and my skin. With a hoarse gasp I started forward, like a snarling hound, and, followed by one thing and preceded by another, pursued my stealthy, groping journey round the walls.

Minutes passed—they seemed like hours, I began to be sensible that I was becoming delirious. Strange rhymes and jingling tags of old songs raced through my brain, and colored squibs seemed to snap and crackle before my eyes, without dissipating the loathsome darkness. I bit my lip till the blood ran, and tried to recite a prayer. Then—the light came jarred up on my overwrought nerves, as the sudden discharge of a cannon might have done—I heard in that noisome dungeon, where I had another man were bound up together with a horror that had no name—the seep and sputter of a sulphur match, and saw the glowworm spark increase to a flare, heard the click of the slide and saw the Vandam was my left hand neighbor, and that he was, with a hand that was violently shaking, lighting the lantern. And then the broad V of light swept round the walls of that living tomb, illuminating the ghastly features of three men, hollow-eyed, prematurely-aged men—myself, Vandam and Millins.

"For," said Millins afterwards, and when three fingers of Vandam's whiskey, absorbed neat, had somewhat restored the circulation in all three cases, I was as frightened, yes, as downright blazing scared as either of you. I followed you down on the quiet, and in my socks, same as you, thinking to give you a scare, but when the light went out, and I found myself playing puss in the corner in an underground vault round a tenanted coffin, with two dumb idiots and maybe an anonymous ghoul for partners, over the verandah, the whisky remained in the bottle, and got up to go.

I may say that the confidence of the Chinese authorities in the ultimate return of the murderer of Mr. Yang was justified. He did come back and got squeezed by the soldiers. Renorse was not the moving factor in his return. No, dead stoker Yang's European watch, as you were aware, being in his luggage without the key. As a watch is no good without the key, he came back to look for it—being, as Vandam said, a typical Chinese.

SOCIETY SIDELIGHTS.

Alexander Royster, an old dandy of "Mississippi town," on the Kansas City, Kan., level, told his domestic troubles to Judge Alden this morning in Kansas City, Kan., in the trial of his suit against his wife, Gertrude.

"I tell you, boss," he called the judge "boss," "there was no living wild cat woman."

"What did she do to you?"

"What did she do, boss? She just reached out her hand and knocked me sprawling across the room."

"Why, boss, I just got up and went after her."

"Did you strike her?"

"Dead I did, boss."

"Make her teeth rattle?"

"Yo's right that, boss."

"Then what did she do?"

"She jes' got up and clered out."

"Did you ever look for her again?"

"What, me look for dat woman? No."

"Ever try to find her and get her to live with you again?"

"No, sir, boss; I didn't want her to."

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9:00 a.m.	9:15 p.m.	Goldstream	9:00 a.m.	9:15 p.m.	Shawnigan Lake
10:15 a.m.	10:30 p.m.	Shawnigan Lake	10:15 a.m.	10:30 p.m.	Duncan
10:58 a.m.	11:13 p.m.	Duncan	10:58 a.m.	11:13 p.m.	Nanaimo
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## Advertisers.

In making contracts for space for the year 1899, should consider the question from a business standpoint entirely. The value of an advertising medium is generally based upon extent of circulation, but with this experts in the business always associate the character of the publication and the class of readers. So far as Victoria is concerned, the Colonist is possessed of all these requisites. Its circulation in Victoria and suburbs is double that of any other paper, while its merits as a high-class newspaper are attested to by the fact that it is daily read in almost every home in the city. The carriers of the Colonist place it every morning in the hands of the doors of more than double the number of citizens than is the case with any other paper circulated in Victoria. Besides this, it is circulated on the streets, on steamers and trains, in Vancouver and Nanaimo, and all other Coast points; reached daily, the morning of issue. This is a value given by no other publication. The advantage to the advertiser of any class of goods, or engaged in any calling requiring the attention of the public is, therefore, plainly to be seen. It is almost unnecessary to add that in the Colonist the advertiser secures the very best value obtainable, and should arrange for his advertising in its columns.

## THE COMING RUPTURE.

The statements made in yesterday's Colonist concerning the dissensions in the government ranks will probably be denied by some members of the government party; but they are substantially correct. When Mr. Higgins moved the adjournment of the debate on the repudiation bill, the government was on the verge of defeat. Attorney-General Martin knew this, but thought the way to avoid disaster was to push the discussion through and take a vote without an adjournment. There is no room for doubt, that, if he had been permitted to have his way, the bill would have been defeated on the second reading. Mr. Higgins had the ball at his foot and might have kicked a goal, but he sent it in the wrong direction, thereby missing the great opportunity of the session. He can hardly hope to have another such chance come to him in his political career. Of course we cannot speak authoritatively as to the reasons why the revolting members came into line, but a well-defined rumor says it was because of the threat of a dissolution. We do not believe that there would have been a dissolution, for the Lieutenant-Governor would hardly have gone in the face of the strong political combination that was ready at that time to terminate the regime of Mr. Martin. In no part of the Dominion would the news of Mr. Martin's overthrow have been heard with greater pleasure than at Ottawa. The Lieutenant-Governor knows this as well as any one, and he would not have granted him an appeal to the people, after a defeat in a newly elected house by so large a majority as could have been thrown against him on the repudiation bill. But a certain occult influence is known to be "good to his own," and the Mephistophelian boss of the government escaped by the skin of his teeth and through the ill-advised grace of Mr. Higgins. Nevertheless the grounds for the breach in the party ranks was not removed. It has become solidified. If the opportunity should occur to-morrow the result would be very different.

No one will be surprised that there is dissatisfaction in the ranks of those who supported the Martin-Semin combination. The party is a political crazy quilt. It is made up of odds and ends of all kinds, a combination of the oldest variety of Toryism and the latest brand of Populism, with a pronounced coloring of mossbackism and a tinge of what is called the Eastern Canadian sentiment, the aggregation being dominated by a gentleman, who wants to use it in order to revenge himself upon the federal leaders of the Liberal party, and who is so headstrong and unreasonable, so hasty in jumping to conclusions and so impatient of correction, that he is known from one end of Canada to the other as a political mischief-maker. That the gentlemen who have borne the burden and heat of the day in opposition will be content to cool their heels in the Attorney-General's ante-chamber, while he is making up his mind what he will do, is hardly reasonable.

## YUKON MISMANAGEMENT.

A private letter from Dawson complains very strongly of the effect of the change made in the regulations last year as to the size of claims. The writer points out that the change was made in January, but nothing was heard of it until April, and in the meantime many locations were made under the old arrangement, permitting the selection of 500-foot claims. The validity of such filings is now questioned and at the date of the letter, which was some time in the latter part of January, there was much anxiety felt by the locators as to the result. Without commenting upon the wisdom of the change, which has not been much questioned, and is only a matter of detail, it certainly seems very unfair that the altered regulation should have a retroactive effect, which will be the case if its operation begins at the date of its promulgation at Ottawa instead of the time of its proclamation at Dawson. The writer of the letter at-

tributes the proposal to cut the locations in two to the scheming of a knot of officials. We decline to believe that Commissioner Ogilvie will permit anything of that nature, and feel satisfied that, so far as he is concerned, the right thing will be done. As we have only an ex parte statement, we withhold any further comment.

Another matter referred to in the letter calls for some observations, although they are only a repetition of what has been said over and over again. The writer says that he has not had a letter in four months, while his father, to whom the letter is written, says that he has posted him letters at intervals of two weeks ever since his son has been absent. It is to be hoped that when parliament meets some one will endeavor to extract from Mr. Mulock some explanation of the utter mismanagement of the Yukon mail service. People are coming and going continually. Letters are being sent north by the hundreds and apparently a very large proportion of them never reach their destination. What becomes of them? Are they "yarded" up somewhere en route? Has some weary mail carrier made a bon-fire of them? Are they held by some official pending the payment of a fee for delivery? It would be impossible to suggest anything worse than the so-called mail accommodation of the Yukon, and if Mr. Mulock does not have a bad quarter of an hour over it before the coming session is ended, some one will have failed in his duty.

## CANADA AND UNITED STATES.

The Canadian Trade Review says that the breaking off of the negotiations between the United States and Canada "will be received with indifference by commercial Canada." It gives the following reasons for this opinion:

Now, there has never been a period in the commercial history of Canada when it was less necessary to sue for admission to the American market than there is to-day. The continued unfriendliness of American tariff legislation has led our manufacturers and exporters to look more and more in other directions for their markets, until we are now practically independent of our neighbors and in a position to regard the tariff wall more in the light of a mistake than of a grievance. Besides this, there has always existed a feeling that any reciprocal agreement which permitted American manufacturers to strip us of our log, lumber, coal, and other sources of natural wealth, would be too dearly purchased by any such limited concessions as the United States would be willing to make. Capitalists are commencing to realize that the conjunction of our forest wealth with magnificent water power, easy communication with the seaboard, cheap labor and excellent shipping facilities, point out Canada as the industrial centre of the future in many profitable lines of manufacture. In the pulp and paper trade it is more and more recognized that Canada will soon take the premier place. Hence it is far better for us that the present conditions should continue, than that the Americans should be permitted to cut down our forests and ship them to the United States for manufacture there. We have an ample market for all our surplus in Britain, and it is to the advantage of the country that the outlay in producing the finished article should be made among our own people, rather than among strangers. Were Canada to impose an export duty on pulp-wood as well as upon saw-logs, it would be far more beneficial to the country in the long run than any "concessions" the United States would be willing to offer.

The Trade Review is in no sense a political paper, and its views are therefore the more valuable. They are in line with those already expressed in the Colonist. So great has been the demand for reciprocity, so completely have both political parties been committed to the principle, that no blame attaches to the Canadian representatives on the commission for endeavoring to secure a reasonable measure of it. But the time has come for a new departure. Canada has done everything that can be done consistently with national dignity to obtain a fair commercial understanding with the United States, and we submit that hereafter the overtures ought to come from the southern side of the line. Owing to the operation of the wise commercial policy introduced by the Conservative party, the Dominion is able to view with indifference the attitude of its neighbors with regard to the tariff. Even the most ultra free-trader must concede this. He must admit that, however much free trade may be desirable in the abstract, such a policy was not possible for Canada, and that the inauguration of the National Policy met a commercial emergency. Better results might or might not have followed from free trade, if free trade had been possible; but it was wholly out of the question. It was because he recognized this fact and gave Canada a commercial policy which enabled her to develop along independent lines that Sir John Macdonald is entitled to the credit of the condition of indifference to which the Trade Review refers.

"British Columbian" writes an interesting letter on "Women in Shackles." In it the writer speaks of a plebiscite to get at the wishes of the women in regard to the franchise. We fear the plebiscite would prove nothing, for the most of the women would not go to the polls. The small minority of women, whose souls are consumed by a desire to elevate mankind by voting, would probably induce a goodly number of their "shackled" sisters to strike for liberty, but the majority of the better half of creation would refrain from voting, and this would leave us as much in the dark as ever.

The News-Advertiser is happy because the Seattle Times admits that a precedent can be found for the exclusion of aliens from our placer mines. Precedent may or may not justify an act. Judas Iscariot furnished a precedent, which most people would hardly feel like following. If, however, the Vancouver World is right, a certain gentleman not disassociated with the News-Advertiser has been following that precedent in connection with the V. V. & E.

A query for the Province: If what the Colonist says is a matter of such supreme indifference, why do you refer to it so often?

## TAXATION OF MORTGAGES.

Quebec Moving to Have the Money Lenders Contribute to Provincial Revenue.

The problem of the taxation of mortgages is now before the Quebec legislature, which either has not heard of or sees no virtue in the new British Columbia scheme to avoid dual taxation by taxing the money lender instead of the mortgaged land from taxation. The following despatch will be read with interest here:

"Quebec, February 17.—The taxation of mortgages was the chief topic of discussion in the legislative assembly to-day. Dr. Cotton, the new member for Missisquoi, began it when he moved the second reading of the bill, the principle of which has before been advocated in the legislature. Many of the farmers in his district, he said, were mortgaged, and still the farmer had to pay the taxes on the whole value of the real estate, which was really owned by the mortgagee. The interest on farm mortgages had not been reduced in the same proportion as in other undertakings. The financial men of Montreal asked for a reduction of taxation, and he thought the farmers were entitled to the same, and that the men who were drawing revenues from interest should pay a share of the taxes. He saw by the papers that the Sherbrooke board of trade had asked their members to oppose the bill, but he hoped Mr. Panneton would not do this.

"Hon. H. T. Duffy bore out all that had been said by the member for Missisquoi. At present real estate paid all the taxation. He considered that movable property or money should be taxed as well. This law had been brought in before, but it applied to cities as well, and it had been pointed out that there were certain objections to its operation in cities. Now, the intention of the bill was that it applied to rural districts only. He saw no reason for the board of trade at Sherbrooke to oppose the bill. It did not affect their city at all. He could not see why land should bear all the taxation. For instance, if a young man started out with \$50,000 and mortgaged it for \$2,000, he must pay interest on \$1,980 and besides pay the taxes on the whole \$2,000.

"Hon. L. P. Pelletier enquired whether this bill would apply to existing mortgages.

"Hon. Mr. Duffy thought that in its present form it did, but if it was thought necessary in committee that portion could be changed. The principle of the bill was a proper one. The mortgagee should pay his share of the taxation. He would oppose the bill if the mortgagee had to pay the tax, but it would not be so. If he made a special arrangement with the mortgagee that was his own business. He was not bound to do so. He thought that as a general rule this would not be done."

## SIR WILFRID'S GLIB TALK.

He Was Very Superior About Treaty Making in Sir John Macdonald's Day.

From the Winnipeg Telegram.

The Canadian commissioners are leaving Washington without having concluded a treaty. The statement that the joint high commission is to meet again in August, is merely so as to let the commissioners do as much as possible in the next six months of negotiation, at a time when Anglo-American enthusiasm afforded a singularly favorable opportunity for negotiation, the commissioners could accomplish nothing, what are they likely to be able to do in August? When Sir John Macdonald assisted in negotiating the Washington treaty in 1871, the negotiations took only a fraction over three months; and the difficulties of negotiation were then very much greater, owing to there being a strong anti-British feeling in the States, and the consideration of Canadian matters being complicated by the simultaneous negotiation of vexed Imperial matters such as the Alabama claims. The contrast shows the difference in the calibre of the negotiators. The failure of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues is the more significant when his boasts before he came into power are recalled. That the differences between Canada and the States remained unsettled, he used to attribute to the fact that a Conservative government was in power. The Conservatives, he contended, were hostile and offensive to the United States, and were not sincere in their attempts to obtain a settlement. If given power, he would, by his sunny ways, soon secure a settlement, and obtain reciprocity into the bargain. As he stated in his celebrated Chicago Record interview:

"Some years ago, when considerable friction had been created by the North Atlantic fishery troubles, I took the opportunity to say that the question should be adjusted in a friendly manner, becoming an enlightened and friendly people, by the simple process of give and take, and I do not now see why an arrangement should not be made."

He announced his intention of throwing all the matters in dispute into one pot, and quickly and finally disposing of them. But now he has had the opportunity, he has been supplicating at Washington for six months and has settled nothing. What is the matter with that method of give and take which he thought so simple? If he has failed, he has largely himself to thank for that failure. His whole course as a public man has been to encourage the American politicians to believe that Canada's intentions were unchangeable, and that he was so friendly to the United States as to be ready to concede anything they chose to ask. The American diplomats have, no doubt, met his presentation of Canada's case with his own arguments against it, and have insisted on terms which Sir Wilfrid Laurier, now he bears the responsibility of power, knows he dare not recommend for the acceptance of the people of Canada. By his bungling tariff changes, he also gave voluntarily to the United States many favors which he might have traded off with them for counter-concessions. He also tied his hands, so far as reciprocity negotiations are concerned, by his so-called British preferential tariff provisions. Those provisions secure for Canada no preference in the British market, but prevented Canada from trading with the United States. Sir Wilfrid Laurier could not now give the United States reciprocity with Canada, without depriving Britain of the preference he has given her in the Canadian market, and thereby, completely stultifying himself. It has been apparent for some time that Sir Wilfrid Laurier would accomplish nothing, and was simply humbling himself by hanging round the American capital begging for any old treaty rather than come back confessing failure. He had far better have come back long ago and attended to his ministerial duties at Ottawa; instead of taking the extraordinary course of calling the ministers to New York and holding cabinet councils

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in a foreign country. But Conservatives have refrained from criticizing him, so long as there was any possibility of his securing something for the patriotic reason that they would not imperil negotiations of national and Imperial importance to promote party ends. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has had the fairest possible treatment from his political opponents in this matter; and he cannot say that he has failed because he has been embarrassed by the course of the opposition. But now he has at last returned with what is practically a confession of failure, it is the duty of his opponents to point out how an unprecedently favorable opportunity for negotiating a satisfactory treaty has been sacrificed as the result of his imprudence and incompetency.

## CURRENT COMMENT

## THE JAPANESE PROTEST.

Mr. Shimizu, Japan's able and courageous consul-general in Canada, states that the emperor's foreign minister and ambassador to England, will together call upon the Imperial authorities to instruct the Dominion government to veto our province's legislation partially preventive of the employment of Japanese upon specially favored public and semi-public works, as also upon underground coal mining. He naturally anticipates that the Imperial government will put the greatest pressure upon Canada in the matter, and this with success. We, however, expect a very different result from the appeal to the Imperial government, in view of the recognition by the Empire of full colonial rights of self-government on matters of internal policy—rights recognized in particular in South Africa and Australia in regard to restrictions upon Oriental immigration. We believe that as both the Imperial and Dominion authorities will now have before them the well and temperately put views of our local government in the matter, they will, it may be with some reluctance, decline to interfere as suggested with provincial rights of self-government, the assertion of which on occasion is absolutely necessary to the future welfare of Pacific Canada.—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

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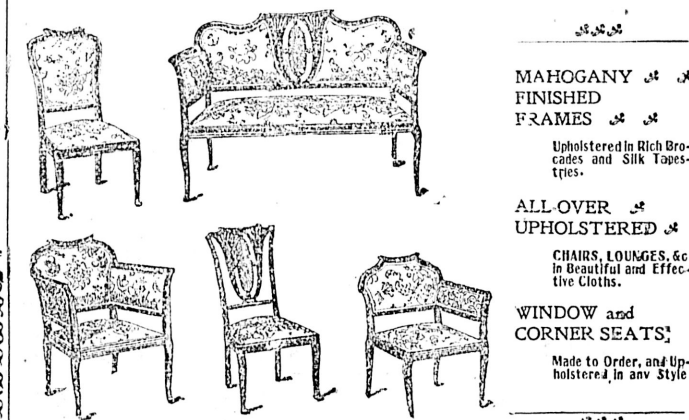
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Not a Sorehead—Mr. George Riley says he is not one of the soreheads in local politics, but continues to be a supporter of Attorney-General Martin.

Laid at Rest.—The remains of the late Capt. Blackett were laid to rest yesterday afternoon in Ross Bay cemetery, the funeral taking place from the family residence at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Mr. Barracough conducted the services, and the following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Hon. Senator Templeman, ex-Adm. Humber, J. H. Meldrum, William Holland, George Ripley, H. Noble, Joseph Holland, Capt. Campbell. A large number followed the remains to the graveside.

Cattle Are Thriving.—Mr. Thomas Ellis, of Penticton, who has been spending the past week or ten days at the Driard, leaves to-morrow for his home in the upper country, where the snow still whitens all the ranges. Despite this fact, the cattle have wintered well, and Mr. Ellis has now some 3,500 head in good condition on his various properties. He is no longer shipping to the Coast, the opening up of the Kootenays having provided for him a more convenient and equally profitable market.

For the Museum.—The treasures of the provincial museum will to-day be augmented with a donation of supply jock, jam-wood and black snake skins, the gift of Chief H. W. Sheppard of the city police. The three new "specimens" are from Western Australia and Victoria, the jam-wood being the greatest novelty. It takes its name from the fact that its odor is very similar to that of the good old-fashioned jam "that your mother used to make."

A Carload of Received at Weiler Bros.

Fined Fifty Dollars.—In the city police court yesterday a fine of \$50 was imposed by Magistrate Hall upon Panny Lord, convicted of keeping a lawfully house on Clarendon street. Counsel for the defence gave notice of an appeal, on the ground that the offence had not been proven. The magistrate commented upon the extreme difficulty of adducing distinct proof in such matters, and intimated that he was satisfied to accept the statements of the police as sufficient.

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Capt. Langley to Appeal.—By the consent of both parties to the action of Capt. Langley, the defendant, Capt. Langley, has been granted leave to enter an appeal at next week's session of the Full court against the decision of Mr. Justice Drake, declaring that he was not qualified to sit as an alderman for South ward.

Will Study in Europe.—It is expected that Victoria will shortly lose one of its most popular and capable entertainers in the person of Miss Maude Goodwin, the charming "Geisha" heroine, who leaves shortly for Europe to complete her musical studies. Afterwards it is not improbable that she will embrace the operatic profession, which she is by nature eminently fitted to adorn.

Morrison in "Faust".—The fact of Morrison's appearance in the great creation of "Mephisto" in "Faust," in a more elaborate production of Goethe's romance than has ever been our fortune to witness heretofore, is sufficient to assure the public of a performance worthy of the author and actor, for Mr. Morrison is always thorough in all he does, and there is a brilliancy in his work which is disconcerting to the audience.

Catholic Apostolic Church, Fernwood road, near Odd Fellows' hall.—On Sunday evenings at 7 o'clock, Mr. Izard, an evangelist serving under the Lord's Restored Apostles, will preach on "The Second Coming of Christ." This subject should be of great interest to Christians of all denominations, many of whom are learning to look for and expect the immediate appearance of our Lord and the end of this dispensation. The Scriptures declare that "as the lightning cometh out of the East and shineth even unto the West, so shall also the coming of the son of man be." Matt. xxiv. 27. There will therefore be no time for the unprepared to get ready, and it is to warn the people of this city of the nearness of the coming of the Lord and the way of being prepared to meet Him that these services are being held. The seats are free and there is no collection. All are cordially invited.

The Gordon Memorial.—Subscriptions for the Gordon memorial college at Khartoum are coming in slowly in Victoria, notwithstanding the fact that the idea is one that cannot but appeal to the civilization ideals as well as the sentiment of the British people. Nor is the movement missing favorable attention in the United States. Mr. Wallace Munro, who is bringing Lewis Morrison here in "Faust" next Tuesday, says it would surprise the originator of the plan could he but hear how enthusiastically it is discussed by the children of Uncle Sam. Mr. Munro has himself had a taste of Egyptian army life, having fought with the Sixth Dragoons through the Sudan campaign of '87. He is an enthusiastic supporter of the memorial plan, having had the one fault to find—that it has been made too exclusively British, instead of Anglo-Saxon.

It was the hero and the benefactor of the entire English-speaking race, and if they were permitted to join in the erection of the memorial as a testimonial to Anglo-Saxon pluck and progressiveness, the people of the United States would enter into the plan with unbounded enthusiasm. It would also go far, very far toward the perfection of the much desired Anglo-Saxon alliance.

It was Captain O'Brien.—The remains of the unfortunate sailor man found in the harbor on Wednesday will not go to the grave unidentified, the few papers that the pockets contained having been sufficient to lead to the discovery that the body is that of Thomas (better known as "Captain") O'Brien, who has seen service on the Maude and numerous other coasting steamers, as well as with several of the sealing fleet. He had been missing from his cabin on Humboldt street since early January, but as he had no near relatives or friends directly interested in him, no especial search had been made for him. O'Brien held first mate's papers, and had been some time on the Coast. His family are in Scotland, supposedly living at Rutherglen road, Glasgow, and O'Brien himself had intended returning to his native land at the close of the century. A visit to his cabin yesterday resulted in the discovery of title deeds for blocks 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 and 18 in the Cormode and Adsit addition, Kirkland, Wash.; besides other property in the Seattle addition and the original Kirkland townsite. These deeds will be handed over to an official administrator, together with a worn "mother's Bible," a faded braided some loved woman's hair, and his sextant—the dearest treasured property of the dead.

Burst water pipes repaired by Clarke & Pearson.

A Grand Court.—Dr. Orónhyatekha, supreme chief of the Independent Order of Foresters, now in Europe, will visit Victoria next month to institute a grand court. Afterwards he will visit California.

The best medicine money can buy for impure blood, nervousness, and all stomach and kidney troubles is Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The Second Discourse.—The second lecture of a series on John Wesley and his family, being given by Rev. W.H. Barracough in the Centennial Methodist church, will be given on Monday evening.

Moving Steadily.—Quite a lot of freight is going north from here, consigned to the Chilcoot Pass Railway Co., who have contracted to move it from Drea to the lakes. The company's tramways are being kept steadily at work.

Homeseekers' Rates.—Special rates for homeseekers are being offered by the C. P. R. as well as by the other lines. The single fare is \$20 or \$22 for round trip from St. Paul to Victoria, Vancouver, Kootenay and all Northwest points.

Organ Recital.—At the third of the series of Lenten organ recitals which will be given in St. John's church after evening song on Sunday next, Mr. Longfield will be assisted by the following vocalists: Miss Goodwin, Miss A. Stoddart, Dr. Robertson and Mr. Cotton.

Capt. Wilson's Funeral.—The funeral of the late Albert Weirich Wilson took place yesterday afternoon from Hayward's parlors. The Rev. Dr. Wilson officiated there and at Ross Bay cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Messrs. A. F. Adams, H. Murray, P. Hamberg, D. Johnson, R. Wallace, S. Robins.

Here for Interment.—The remains of the late William Tierney, who died at Vancouver on Wednesday, were brought to Victoria last evening for interment. Mrs. Tierney and other members of the family accompanying them. The funeral will take place this morning, services being conducted at St. Andrew's R. C. cathedral.

Bright Pupils.—During February the head pupils at the South Park school were Division 1, Violet Winifred Emery and Frances Jane Fraser (equally); division 2, Mabel Agnes Cameron; division 3, Annie Cameron Lowe; division 4, Lizzie Cameron; division 5, Mabel Miller; division 6, John Barber; division 7, Ernest David Sprague; division 8, Frederick Clifford Dougall; division 9, Allan Wilmut.

Application Refused.—In Supreme Court Chambers yesterday in the Bank of British Columbia v. D. R. Harris, Mrs. Harris and Alice de Wiederhold, an application for judgment for \$2,500 alleged to be due to the plaintiffs on promissory notes, was refused as the writ was not specially endorsed. The same decision was given in Styles v. D. R. Harris, an application for \$2,100 alleged to be due for rents collected but never turned over. Mr. Justice Walkem presided; Mr. Moresby appeared for the plaintiffs in both cases and Mr. S. P. Mills for the defendants.

The Old Post Office.—Although tenders were called some months ago for the purchase of the old post office building and site and a number of offers were made, the Dominion government has not yet decided what they will do with the property. It was stated yesterday by a gentleman in a position to be trusted that an offer of \$60,000 had been refused, the government having been advised that the property should bring \$80,000. They are now considering the advisability of fitting the building up and renting it, a number of applications having been received for stores.

Lucky Numbers.—The seventy-second drawing for an appropriation in the Victoria Building Society took place yesterday evening in the St. William Wallace Society hall, the committee in charge being Messrs. C. F. Gardiner, G. W. Anderson and M. McGregor. The first number drawn was 178, of which A, B and D were withdrawn, C being held by Capt. McCulloch, who is thus entitled to an appropriation of \$1,000. A second drawing brought out 142, of which A and B were withdrawn and C and D were held by P. W. Dempster, entitling him to \$2,000.

Laid at Rest.—The great respect and universal esteem in which the late Mrs. William Veitch, of Craigflower, was held, was shown by the large number present at the funeral yesterday. The interment took place at the new Colwood cemetery, this being the second burial there, the religious services being conducted in the Presbyterian church by the Rev. D. MacRae, assisted by Mr. Burkholder. The sadness of the occasion was deepened by the fact that Mr. Veitch, now in his 85th year, is seriously ill, apparently not long to survive his deceased partner of 56 years. The funeral was under the direction of Mr. Charles Hayward, the pallbearers being Messrs. W. Adams, H. Porter, Thomas Hendry, A. C. Muir, W. D. Mackintosh and John Parker.

Malietoa, the claimant to the throne of Samoa, is direct descendant through twenty-three generations of Savea Malietoa I. He was carefully educated in the mission school, and though, on occasion, warlike, he is generally of a retiring and unassuming disposition. He is very studious in his habits, and among his subjects he is considered a man of great learning, while his abilities for diplomacy and statesmanship have been frequently employed. Malietoa, his rival claimant for the throne, is a man of great force of character and a rigid Roman Catholic.

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## DIVORCE GRANTED.

Mr. J. L. Penny Successful in His Application to the Supreme Court.

The application of Mr. John L. Penny for a divorce from his wife Catherine Penny was yesterday granted by Mr. Justice Walkem after a trial lasting less than half an hour. The case was undefended, neither Mrs. Penny or the co-respondent, W. H. Bainbridge, being represented. There was but one witness, the plaintiff, but he produced affidavits in support of his application. His evidence was to the effect that he was married at Lincoln, England, in 1888, and he and his wife lived together until January, 1898, at that time he was superintendent of a mine at Albert of which Bainbridge was the managing director. Hearing his wife's name mentioned in connection with that of Bainbridge, he went to Seattle where she was visiting and found that she had gone to Hot Springs, Wash., and was there registered under an assumed name. Going to Hot Springs, he learned that a man and woman who had been staying at the hotel for ten days and who answered the description of Bainbridge and Mrs. Penny, had registered as Mr. and Mrs. Berkley and were living as man and wife.

Affidavits of the hotel proprietor and hotel clerk at Hot Springs were read. They swore that the photos of Bainbridge and Mrs. Penny, which accompanied the affidavits, were the photos of the man and woman who had registered as Mr. and Mrs. Berkley.

The decree will be made absolute in six months.

Mr. W. H. Langley appeared for the plaintiff.

## AN EXPERT'S VIEWS.

A New Brunswick Opinion on the West Coast Ore—The City Water.

"My opinion is that the mines of the West Coast will compare favorably with anything in the province, especially their richness in copper, and it is not unlikely that considerable gold will be found with the copper together with some free gold." Such was Mr. Willis F. Best's expert opinion, as formed from samples of ore which have come under his analytical tests. He is a chemist and assayer educated in Germany, who has recently come from New Brunswick, where he has lived for fourteen years. During part of this time he served in a official position, being analyst in murder cases where poison had been administered. His laboratory on the second floor of the Board of Trade building is in considerable quantities on the coast, as also mica and asbestos. These metals are very valuable, especially where the shipping facilities are as easy as they are on the West Coast.

Since establishing here Mr. Best has examined a sample of mineral water from up the coast, which he was much impressed with, and believes that some day it will be utilized for medicinal purposes.

Another sample of water that he analyzed came from Beaver lake, the city water supply, which he found to be full of life but containing no disease germs. In course of conversation Mr. Best remarked that it was his opinion that the city water should be examined occasionally for objectionable matter is apt to find its way into it at any time. This rule, he stated, is followed in most other cities.

John Ruskin invariably dines in solitude, for he finds that conversation has a bad effect upon his digestion.

## Spring 1899

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Latest from Klondyke. Unanimous decision at Miners convention. After examination of many outfits we find that the best goods for least money came from the Old Reliable Clothing House of W. & J. Wilson, Victoria, B. C.

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Men's Cloth Top Hat, Vici Kid, \$4.00—now \$3.00.  
Ladies' Box Calf Button boots, \$3.00—now \$2.25.  
Ladies' Box Calf Lace Boots, \$3.00—now \$2.25.  
Misses' Glove Grain Button Hat, \$1.75—now \$1.40.  
Misses' Pebble Button Boots, \$1.50—now \$1.25.  
Boys' Good Wear Lace, \$1.15.

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## Lemon Cream Pies...

We do not believe there are any better Cream Pies made than these. The crisp, flaky pastry, is well filled with lemon, thickly coated over with pure, rich cream. Delicious and toothsome, 35 cents each. Pure Cream Puffs, 40 cents dozen; Custard Cream Puffs, 25 cents dozen.

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## THE RED AND WHITE.

Champion Footballers Celebrate Their Victories as Guests of Their Vice-President.

An Evening of Good Comradeship Where the Spirit of Sport Reigned Supreme.

Conviviality and Good Comradeship were the twin faïres presiding over the thoroughly charming dinner which Vice-president H. D. Helmecken gave last evening to the victorious Rugby Football Club, at his hospitable home on Belleville street. The party was of just the proper size—neither too large nor too small; the dinner was an exquisite one; and the decorations of the dining room were a dream of loveliness, the central feature of which was a monument of the choicest floral treasures, the white of the stateli ly mingling with the rich red of the camellia to pay silent yet eloquent homage to the heroes of the occasion.

The club red and white were also plentifully utilized in the other ornate decorations of table and room, while immediately in front of the host and chairman was placed the massive and magnificent McKeechic challenge cup, which after once rewarding the prowess of Vancouver and twice being captured by the erstwhile invincible Hornets, has now come to the victors of the capital. It is a masterpiece of the silversmith's art, standing 2 1/2 or perhaps three feet in height, ingeniously designed; and elaborately chased and finished—worthy indeed to be symbolic of hard-bought victory.

The chairman and senior vice, Mr. Helmecken, had at his right hand last evening Captain A. T. Goward and at his left the associate vice-president, Sir Henry Crease, while twenty-five or thirty representatives of athletic young manhood surrounded the generous board, the Hornets and Vancouver sending their regrets with their congratulations. The formalities of the occasion were in the hopelessly minority for sociability was the keynote of the evening, and of course there was some little speech making, and advantage was taken of the opportunity to honor with all due patriotism the rulers of our country and the mighty empire of which it forms a part. The complete toast list was:

"Her Majesty the Queen"—Proposed by the chairman.

"The Governor-General of Canada and the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia"—Proposed by Sir Henry Crease. "The Victoria Rugby Football Club"—Proposed by Vice-president Helmecken, and acknowledged by Capt. Goward. "Kindred Sports"—Proposed by Mr. C. H. Gibbons, and acknowledged by Mr. J. M. Miller and Mr. Bullock. "The Press"—Proposed by Mr. E. E. Billingshurst and acknowledged by Mr. Gibbons and Mr. Macrae. "The Ladies"—Proposed by Mr. Alexis Martin and acknowledged for his fair friends by Mr. Langley. "Our Host"—Proposed by Sir Henry Crease.

The short and crisp speech of the club captain elicited the fact that not only have the Victoria Rugby Football Club emerged champions from the season's battles, with a record of 136 points to nil—a record never even approached before in Canada or on Pacific Coast—but also with the indebtedness discharged and a balance of perhaps half a hundred dollars still in the treasury.

Such a combination of sporting and financial success it would indeed be hard to eclipse, and that the club intend to maintain it next season is amply evidenced not only by the present form of the champions but by the fact that a supplementary team is even now looming upon the athletic horizon, to bear the red and white to further triumphs, and such a team as never has been seen before.

But of this Harry and Sir Henry will have more to say later on. The unqualified success of the jolly evening was not alone due, however, to the hospitable host. Mrs. Helmecken and the Misses Goodwin share with him the honors and the thanks of the appreciative guests.

ERNE AND HAWKINS.

San Francisco, March 3.—Frank Erne of Buffalo won from Dal Hawkins in their light here to-night.

FRENCH SENATE.

Paris, March 3.—The senate today elected ex-minister Fallieres to be president of the body by a vote of 151 against 85 votes cast for ex-minister Constans.

G. A. Carleton was a passenger en route bound on the City of Kingston last evening.

## MRS. JARRET SPEAKS

She Tells What Dodd's Kidney Pills Did for Her.

Two Years of Suffering Ended in a Couple of Weeks After Medicine Had Failed to Relieve Her—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Her.

Montreal, March 3.—Dodd's Kidney Pills are doing a wonderful work in the Canadian metropolis this winter. Never a day passes that does not see the report of some victim of Kidney Disease having been cured by them.

Old and young, male and female, are singling out the name of Dodd's Kidney Pills. The name is everywhere.

Mrs. J. Jarret, 35, a Montreal street. Mrs. Jarret writes as follows: "I have been troubled with Female Weakness for the past two years. I have tried medicine without number, but without receiving any benefit, until I began the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I took several boxes of this grand remedy and am now entirely cured. "You may publish this if you see fit, so as to help others who may be suffering as I did."

Now, if a lady buys a certain make of shoes, which prove serviceable and fully worth their price, she recommends that make to her friends, and her recommendation is sufficient to induce them to buy the same style for themselves.

It is exactly the same with regard to medicine. Dodd's Kidney Pills having cured so many ladies, are recommended by them to their sister sufferers, who know that the recommendations are to be fully relied upon. When they require a medicine to this kind, they use Dodd's Kidney Pills, the best they can procure.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists at fifty cents a box; six boxes \$2.50, or sent by mail, on receipt of price, by The Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited, Toronto.

### THE CITY

Catholic Mission.—At St. Andrew's R. C. cathedral last evening the subject of the lecture was "Blessed Virgin and Purgatory." This evening the lecture will be on "The Bible."

Services Postponed.—The re-opening services and social announced to take place to-morrow and on Tuesday respectively have been postponed for two weeks.

A Serious Charge.—Ellen Burns, an old offender, was arrested last evening on a charge of cutting and wounding a man with whom she has been living. The man is not seriously injured.

Just a Trifle Out.—There is a little error in the March number of the British Columbia Guide published by N. K. Laxton. It gives the population of Victoria as 2,000, although a twenty thousand short of the actual figures.

Guests of His Worship.—The aldermen, police and licensing commissioners, superintendent of police, chief of the fire department and managing editors of the three daily papers were the guests of Mayor Redfern at dinner last evening.

Complete Map.—Mr. Bert E. Collier has issued a map of the Northern Gold Fields, including the Atlin and Yukon districts, which shows very clearly the different routes by which the districts can be reached. They are in folder form so as to be easily carried by men making the trip.

Home From Dawson.—Mr. H. C. Macaulay of this city, who reached Seattle on Wednesday, arrived home last evening. He left Dawson on February 4 and had a pleasant trip out, the tail being good and the weather fine until Lake Bennett was reached. Here a storm was encountered and the party of whom Mr. Macaulay was a member had to seek shelter in the woods, where they were delayed two days. Mr. Macaulay reports that his brother, James Macaulay, had recovered from his recent severe illness and would be out in thirty days.

A Freak Dog.—P. E. de Ville, who arrived from Dawson a few days ago, brought with him from the North a cur in the shape of what northerners call a polar dog. Mr. de Ville had this animal with him during his stay at the Victoria, and it attracted no small amount of attention. The brute was much larger than an ordinary-sized canine. Its hindquarters resembled those of a bear, the feet being large, the legs long, and the walk awkward and slothful. The forequarters were similar to those of a big husky dog.

Took the Wrong Steamer.—A story comes from Vancouver of a Chinaman named Ah Long taking the wrong steamer at Honolulu and travelling to San Francisco instead of to Vancouver, with the prospect now being refused, landing and being obliged to return to the point of embarkation to recommence his voyage to America. Ah Long, it is said, even went so far as to pay his passage on the Miowera to Vancouver and his \$50 head tax. His peculiar position recalls a somewhat similar incident told by an officer of one of the Canadian Australian steamers when last in port. Then a passenger for San Francisco by mistake took the wrong steamer at the outer wharf, and did not discover his error until some distance off Cape Flattery, bound for Honolulu.

Reported Murder.—News has been received of a body found on the 22nd of last month lying in the snow, six miles from the Brooklyn wagon road, six miles from Cascade, which bears evidence of murder committed fully a month previously. The testimony taken at an inquest held showed the body to be that of Donato Cassado, who had been working with his partner, Tony, for a subcontractor doing station work for J. McLenn & Co. A deep chasm behind the car and another under the chin told how Cassado met his death. His clothes had been ransacked, but \$8 found on the body had evidently been overlooked by the highwaymen, who in their anxiety to get money had even taken off the shoes and stockings of the deceased. What led to Cassado's end is believed to be of suspicion that he had quite a sum of money in readiness to make a trip home to Italy. So far Superintendent Hussey of the provincial police has received no advices of the murder.

Visiting Railroaders.—A party of six officials of the Great Northern Railway company, three of whom came West with President Hill, arrived in the city last evening. They will spend the day here. They are L. D. Miller, vice-president of the company; F. B. Clarke, general traffic manager; F. J. Whitney, general passenger agent; J. W. Blaton, Western passenger manager; R. C. Stevens, Western passenger agent; and F. J. Wheeler, general agent at Vancouver. They are just on a tour of the country, keeping their eyes open for business and looking after the interests of the company generally. They have accepted an invitation to meet the members of the board of trade at 11 this morning, and discuss matters of interest to the business community. Mr. Miller will probably give his views on the project to connect the Island and Mainland by means of a ferry, the opinion of many members of at least the council of the board of trade now being that a ferry should be run from Victoria to some point on the Mainland as near as possible to the terminus of the three transcontinental railways, so that they could all use it.

Won His Suit.—A recent number of the New York Sun contains a long letter from a Johannesburg correspondent in which it is stated that Mr. R. E. Brown, the mine owner, whose head office is in this city, has been awarded \$300,000 by the courts of the South African town, which saw the government of the Transvaal will have to pay. Mr. Brown took part in the terrible ruin for licenses for claims on the Witfontein farm, which has been so often described. Men he had engaged for mining through the crowd to the window of the gold commissioner's office and he was there ready to pay for his license when the office opened. When it did open, however, the commissioner announced that licenses would not be issued for the Witfontein farm. Mr. Brown tendered his money and it being refused he brought action against the Transvaal government. He won the suit, the government appealed and now, according to the New York Sun correspondent, the Full court has upheld the decision of the lower court. Mr. Brown is at present touring Europe, he having been married on the eve of his departure for Victoria. He has claims in most of the mining districts of the world, including British Columbia. Last year he spent \$70,000 developing the Whitewater Deep mine in the Slokan country.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, which are made expressly for nervous, nervous, dyspeptic sufferers. Price, 25 cents.

### SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

Steamer Tees Leaves for the North—The Seattle-Humboldt Schedule.

Steamer Amur is due from the North on Monday. She will sail again on Wednesday.

The Canadian-Australian steamer Warmoo sailed from Wellington, New Zealand, for Victoria on Thursday.

The steamers City of Seattle and Humboldt are to run on a new schedule, leaving for the North alternatively every five days. Both steamers can make the round trip from Seattle to Skagway and return in seven days.

The steamer Tees sailed for Skagway last evening, not full of freight or passengers, but with a satisfactory load. The freight included 25 tons of hay for the Victoria & Yukon Trading Company, and supplies and outfits for the parties aboard en route to the Atlin country. The list of passengers booked by the C. P. N. Co. up till late in the afternoon was as follows: Mr. Willisroft and wife, A. Rutherford, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Willisroft, F. E. Beer, Mr. Marymont, S. H. Plumm, Mr. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Crockett, F. C. Fyfe, Mr. Armstrong, A. Vinnit, L. Whitmore and Mr. Ward and wife.

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Str. Chamer from Vancouver.

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ALMOST IN DESPAIR.

"My wife suffered with pain and distress from an affection of the throat caused by impure blood. She was almost in despair of ever obtaining a cure, but finally procured a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after taking six bottles of this medicine she was completely cured." John Weckner, Galt, Ontario.

That distress after eating is prevented by one or two of Hood's Pills. They don't gripe.

PERSONAL.

G. H. Hayes, of Alberni, is again in the city.

P. J. Hickey, the mining man, is a guest at the Diarid.

Senator Reid, of Cariboo, is a guest at the Diarid.

N. P. Shaw has left on a flying visit to Skagway.

W. F. Bullen returned last evening from Vancouver.

A. E. McPhillips was a passenger from Vancouver last evening.

E. J. Coyle, district passenger agent of the C. P. R., is a guest at the Diarid.

Postmaster Shakespere is confined to the house with an attack of gripe.

Edward Thain, late of the Attorney-General's office, left last night for the Atlin country.

Mrs. G. A. Jordan of Rossland, who has been visiting friends in Victoria, left last evening for home.

E. E. Billingshurst was a passenger home from the Sound by the Kingston yesterday.

L. G. McPhillips, barrister, of Vancouver, registered at the Diarid last evening.

Mrs. Gustav and Miss Leiser and Mrs. Leuz returned from the Sound by yesterday's steamer.

E. C. Hawkins, of the White Pass & Yukon railway, and Mrs. Hawkins are guests at the Diarid.

Frank Durand and wife left this morning for Vancouver, from which city they will proceed north.

H. C. Macaulay, who recently returned from Dawson, and Mrs. Macaulay came down from Vancouver last evening.

H. Temple Fall and wife and H. Macfarland, the latter representing the London Financial News, left last night for Dawson.

E. C. Hawkins, L. B. Garside, W. W. Thornton and Henry Darling were passengers by the City of Kingston yesterday.

C. C. Chipman, chief commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, with headquarters at Winnipeg, and A. N. Mount, also of the Winnipeg office of the big company, are at the Diarid. Mrs. Chipman accompanies her husband.

Mrs. Tierney, J. J. Sheagreen and wife, Mrs. Willis and W. J. Pace came over from Vancouver last evening to attend the funeral of the late William Tierney. They are at the Diarid.

Rev. J. E. Coombs, pastor of Calvary Baptist church and now superintendent of Baptist missions, is paying Victoria a visit. He leaves for Chemoimus on Sunday.

Arthur Heathorn, local representative of the Chilkoot Railway Company, left on the Tees last evening for Vancouver, to look after some shipments from that point.

Robert J. Jameson left yesterday morning by the Chamer for Eastern Canada, where he remains to study electrical engineering. Before leaving he was presented with a nice set of members of the Victoria company, in which he is a member.

est, having been one of the first to vote in support of the bill to enfranchise the population of this province.

Electors' letter calls for little comment, the gist of it being that it would be shameful and disgraceful to have voted away the power vested in men; and that it would be dangerous as he had seen, body or soul being required; and to make it worse, we have tackled onto it one man vote—the ignorant drunken ne'er-do-well by his vote can render useless that of the intelligent, steady man, who by his industry has made himself respected, with a home of his own property. In almost all countries this system has been found to be a failure, and it is not surprising that legislatures by political exigencies, not from approval of the enactment. Give women the right to vote and they will prove potent factors, rectifying the misfortune of having so many of a worthless class influencing the return of any candidate, who will stand in with their desires, tending to make the legislature a general non-interference with mentionable and no mentionable subjects, going in for taxli everyone having anything, and curtailing the pay of those in the service of it country and those earning a living by mental instead of manual labor. Those who have mixed amongst respectable world men's families must be impressed with the sterling clear-headedness of their women folk; looking at everything from a practical point of view, anxious against everything that may lead astray their growing sons and daughters or their future welfare, these women—and their name is legion—would vote, actuated by these motives, and would prove contentment in "queuing" if I may use the word—those recorded by hundreds of utterly worthless and irresponsible men.

Like the Jew's disabilities bill, over and over again the women's suffrage bill will be thrown out; but as Rothschild, like Jacob, waited seven long years for his Rachel, so women wait, but ultimately will meet like success.

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When winter's storms and blasts are over, When melting snows in torrents pour From mountain and from hillside steep, To fill the streams and canyons deep; 'Tis then the Longjohns with just pride Put skates and hockey sticks aside, While swift toboggans and snowshoes, Which victory brought to every crew, Are clubhouses stored away for use. For future days of sport and play. The curlers, too, their rink must close, And all enjoy a forced repose. The club suits, worn with such delight At games and sports both day and night, Are brushed and laid away with care By sisters, wives and daughters fair. The colors, tried by rain and snow, Have all retained their brilliant glow; This shows why all the Longjohns wise Are users of the Diamond Dyes.

The Longjohns are a busy race, And love to roam from place to place; And now, intent on new designs, Sigh for the far-off Klondike mines. Where, in that land of ice and cold, Is found a wealth of virgin gold; Where man with brave heart and strong hand May soon a fortune snug command. The fever deepens; young and old Among the Longjohn people hold Call on their chief for counsel wise 'Bout their projected enterprise. The chief, a keen, discerning man, Much interested in their plan, Would have them weigh with thought and care. The burdens each would have to bear. 'Twas then agreed by one and all The chief would a convention call, Where all the Longjohns—young and old—Who sighed for this new land of gold, Would, without hesitation, cheer, See forth their views and cry: "Where? To leave their fair homes far behind. The great convention night comes on, O, happy time for each Longjohn! A welcome song and ringing cheer, Greet their great chief when he appears. He takes the chair with pride and grace, As he surveys with smiling face 'The happy and contented throng. Who for the Klondike regions long. The chairman's address speaks was brief—A credit to the Longjohn chief—He with a fluent tongue explained How wealth and gold could be obtained. "You must," said he, "be true as steel. And look well to each other's word: Be generous, brave, just and upright. Avoiding gambling, drink and fight. And you will surely win the prize. That seems so near your longing eyes, And will return to your dear land A happy and contented band. I've made arrangements most complete, And nothing can our plans defeat: You start next week by C. P. R. From Montreal by special car. So, on bright days, you will be there. So let all things done with care; Which, in the past, have surely brought The benefits you all have sought. In home and fancy club attire And when procuring your supplies, Do not forget the Diamond Dyes. That people everywhere admire. The strongest and the best, as extend When you are at your journey's end: Your costumes, now so bright and trim. May, later on, look soiled and dim. From travel long by sea and land, Or wading through morass and sand; 'Tis then that Diamond Dyes so bright On Longjohn travellers give delight. Remember to that to diamonds wait Your entrance at the Klondike gate. And with beseeching, joyous cries, Will ask for fast Diamond Dyes. Our noted brother, Longjohn Bill, Will my desires all fulfil; I now commission him as guide, To the great mines, where rich and wide, Our business ended, we adjourn Till from the gold fields you return; May Heaven's choicest blessings send. And every Longjohn home defend."

No faces sad, no falling tears, No timid souls, no doubts, no fears; All with brave hearts, and hand in hand, They sing a psalm noble, grand. Six days of time; no hour to waste; The morning's rising sun will show Preparing garments warm and strong, Suited for Klondike winters long! Provisions ample and supplies Of never-fading Diamond Dyes. In freight cars soon are stor'd away Ready for the departing day.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

the Editor of the Colonist:

As Elector has been allowed his say, I have written for some remarks in support of the bill to enfranchise the at present disenfranchised half of the population of this province.

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